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MARVEL OF MUNICIPAL PROGRESS

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"Tropico—five miles as the crow flies from the plaza in Los Angeles—is the newer of the great city's sisters. Incorporated as a city of the sixth class on March 15, 1911, then boasting a population of 1600, it has grown by leaps and bounds until now the most conservative estimates credit it with 2500 people. One hundred and seventy-five new homes have gone up since the date of incorporation, representing a valuation of $265,000, and it is estimated that one new residence is being finished every working day of the present month.

"At the time of incorporation Tropico had an assessed valuation of $600,000—this, of course, being based upon an average of one-third the actual value. Assessment rolls for the current year show an increase of $200,000 in round figures.

"Ten miles of sidewalks have been built in the eighteen months since incorporation; six and one-half miles of paved streets have been laid. Before incorporation there were but few scattered sidewalks and little curbing. Now the city has a thoroughly up-to-date appearance.

"A complete street lighting system is in course of installation, which will be ready for use by November 1. Besides this, the municipality has succeeded in reducing the car fare from Los Angeles for one way ride from 15 cents to 10 cents, with a promise of five-cent fares within a short time. Communtation rates, 50 rides, 6 2-3 cents a ride. The price of electric light has been reduced nearly 50 per cent since incorporation, while a reduction of 25 cents has been effected in the water rate, which now stands at $1.25.

"Natural gas mains, now being laid by the Southern California Gas Company, will pass directly through the city, and this is expected to effect a great saving in the price of fuel, giving the factory section the tremendous advantage of cheap power.

"Besides being on the main line of the Southern Pacific, Tropico is on a branch of the Salt Lake route, while the Pacific Electric gives a twenty-minute service to Los Angeles, the trip consuming but little over eighteen minutes.

"Tropico is justly proud of its fine grammar school, while it is joint owner with Glendale in one of the best and most complete high schools in the southern part of the State.

"As an indication of material prosperity may be cited the showing of the Bank of Tropico, organized and opened for business September 12, 1910. Deposits now amount to $112,000; loans approximate $80,000; resources, $140,000.

"Ten new business houses have been opened since the date of incorporation to care for the growing population, and all report excellent business.

"Tropico is the location of one of the largest tile factories in the United States; it has a basket factory which employs from 250 to 300 persons, and a piano factory is now in course of construction. A new hospital, to cost $25,000, is another of the larger new buildings under way. Four new business blocks are also being erected.."

We may justly add to the above that the growing demand for homes about as well as in the City of Tropico has induced the Pacifis Home Builders Association of the City of Los Angeles, and Mr. Parmore of Pasadena, to open up the Angelus Park and Atwater tracts, of which they are respectfively proprietors, as additions to Tropico on the west and south.

There is no question but Tropico has home advantages and business prospects coupled together that are equall ed by no other locality in Southern California.

The people of the Pacific Home Builders Association are looking after the petition for consolidation with Los Angeles, and are meeting with surprising success. E. S. Ayres is circulating the petition at this end of the line. He meets with very few who refuse to sign it. Some are dubious about it, of course, and are "from Missouri" on the proposition. The colums of this paper are free and open for its thorough discussion.

The cases of the Postal Telegraph company against the city to recover taxes paid in 1908 and by Mary E. Cake to enjoin the collection of an assessment of $424 for the widening of Hill street, from Pico to Washington streets, have been submitted to the supreme court on briefs.

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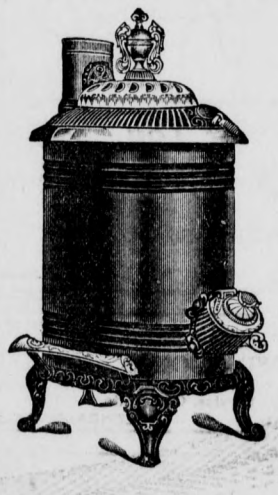

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TRUSTEES' MEETING
Thursday, October 31.

Members and officers all present. Minutes of last regular meeting read and approved as read.

Communication from the Pacific Light and Power corporation received and read, setting forth that by reason of the delay of the State Railroad Commission in granting the corporation's application for a permit to contract with the city for an electric lighting system and to take over the part of the Glendale Light and Power plant owned by L. C. Brand, the corporation had been delayed in starting in upon the performance of its contract until it is now a physical impossibility to complete it by the first of November, and asking an extension of time for its completion until the first of December, a month hence. Upon inquiry it was learned that the corporation had in good faith entered upon the performance of its contract, and the extension asked for was granted.

The application of sub-contractor under D. C. Howard for further time for the completion of street work on Acacia avenue and Adams street was granted.

The deeds to the city of George H. Friedgen and H. W. Myers for a strip of land forty feet wide at the westerly terminus of Acacia avenue and the opening of it through from Brand boulevard to the easterly line of the lots fronting on Central avenue were received, accepted and ordered recorded. Mr. Freidgen's deed covers this narrow strip of a foot and a half in width across the street heretofore held as an impediment to the use of the street from the west.

City Attorney Baker was instructed to bring in an ordinance requiring gasolene engines operated inside the city limits to have mufflers.

Stephen Vessilich, superintendent of building for the Pacific Home Builders, made oral application for a modification of the city's building ordinance which provides that cesspools shall be built of brick, by removing that restriction and permitting their construction with redwood boards. Referred to the committee of the whole. Warrants ordered and signed for the payment of a number of demands and salaries for October.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Jos. H. Webster, agent and dealer in real estate, is putting up an office on the northeast corner of Park and Central Avenues.

JUST RECEIVED: A barrel of Eastern Sauer Kraut, 2 pounds for 15c at the Tropico Market.—Adv.

J. B. Treadwell has a force of men putting in curbing and sidewalks along the San Fernando road frontage of the Treadwell tract.

Order your Fresh and Salt Meats, Wienerwurst, Sauer Kraut, Pickled Pigs Feet, from the Tropico Market. Sunset 291; Home 523.

Mrs. Al Watson is again at her Brand Boulevard home after an absence of several weeks visiting relatives and friends at Burlingame and Phoenix-like San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Hazelin entertained as house guests at their Park Avenue home the past week, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Garretson, Miss Janet Muir of Los Angeles, and Rev. James Muir of Hemet.

Workers for the Nazarine Church are conducting services at 456 West Broadway, Glendale. Services Thursday evenings at 7:30, and Sundays at 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. Everybody is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Fryer moved into their new home, 4212 Gardena Avenue on Saturday last, immediately following its purchase of M. G. Coughlan, whose activity in locating newcomers to Tropico is exceedingly gratifying. Mr. Fryer hails from Oregon. He is an efficient architect and builder, and experienced millman.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kellar, late of Minneapolis, Minn., more recently of Los Angeles, have bought the late residence of Dr. Leudke, 112 S. Brand Boulevard, and will make of Tropico their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Kellar are distinguished members of the musical art circles of the east and of Los Angeles and are a welcome acquisition to the citizenship of the City.

William Wibelitz, a silversmith of Newark, N. J., became a citizen of Tropico a year ago; has lived here long enough to have his first impression that Tropico was of all others the place in which to anchor verified, has decided to go into the business of auto-trucking, with an equipment for carrying passengers. Watch the columns of the Sentinel for his announcement in the near future.

The numerous friends of Harry Schaeffer are delighted to learn of his release from the hospital and that he is able to be at the family fireside again. His right arm is still useless and carried in a sling; must remain so for some time to come. His downtown comrades were favored with an opportunity to give him their glad greetings on his first appearance on the streets since the lamentable accident, that came so near snuffing out his lamp of life, a few days since.

Those "long greens" you see in course of distribution over the city are the electric lighting poles.

After an absence of several months on a trip East, Miss Cora Hickman is again with the folks at home on Park Avenue.

Having completed his term of service in the U. S. Navy Marion Banker is at home with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ayres of Central Avenue.

George Thurman has two fingers less on one of his hands from having them caught in one of the planers of the Tropico Mill Work Company and amputated by Dr. Mabry.

O. E. Burch, business manager of this paper, submitted to a somewhat delicate and dangerous, but successful operation, at the honds of Drs. Tholen and Mabry last Saturday afternoon for the removal of a tumerous growth near the drum of his left ear.

If the Board of Trustees had heeded the proposition to await for electric energy from the aqueduct for light and power purposes, with no prospect for getting it from that source for a year hence, instead of going ahead with their contract with the Pacific Light and Power Corporation for an electric lighting service, the probabilities are there would be music in the air of this salubrious locality at about this season of the year, the thrilling chorus of which would be mutterings of a recall.

Hallowe'en parties are the order of the week, and ghosts and hobgoblins are walking abroad. Miss Lily Schick invited a coterie of friends to come to her home on Thursday evening and assist her in the Hallowe'en revels that are annually held at her home. The invitations were gladly accepted by the Misses Pauline Philips, Ruth Hislip, Elizabeth Utter, Florence Chandler, Althea Adair, Marjorie Imler, Ellen Cate, and Messrs. Geo. Van Hazelin, Homer Morgan, Leslie Kepler, Seymour Smith, Fritz Bowman, Harwood Collins, Russell Harrison and Charlie Brown, who, immediately upon their arrival, proceeded to call forth the spirits that "walk in darkness," and many ghostly pranks were used to settle fates of the youths and maidens.

GET YOUR SPARERIBS AND KRAUT at the Tropico Meat Market. Both phones.—Adv.

M. G. Coughlan of 245 Cerritos Avenue, is resident agent for California Real Estate and Building Company, and as such agent has sold eight of the ten bungalows built by that company, and, also three besides belonging to other parties, in the Richardson Tract addition to the City of Tropico, all of which sales were to parties who have enrolled themselves with the honored citizens of our prosperous and beautiful city. Mr. Coughlan is justly proud of his achievement for the good of our little City, and hopes to continue so doing indefinitely. He says he has a few more of those lovely bungalow homes, besides several lots he will build upon after the bungalow style, to suit the tastes of purchasers and on easy terms.

M. G. Coughlan, 245 Cerritos Avenue, is resident agent of the Atwater addition to the City of Tropico, situated just across the Southern Pacific Railroad, in the City of Los Angeles. This tract is entitled to all the advantages of its situation inside the limits of the City of Los Angeles and its close proximity to the City of Tropico, the "Marvel of Municipal Progress," of which some account is given elsewhere in this paper, including a 5 cent fare to and from all parts of the great city, being from 6th and Main a distance away of no more than fifteen minutes. The lots in this tract are $500 and up. Mostly up of course for they are of the very highest grade. With improvements all in with bungalow residence to suit, prices range from $3,000 to $5,000; $300 to $500 down, balance in installments of $25 to $40 per month, including interest at 7% on deferred payments. Homeseekers in this the only land on earth fit to live in will find it worth their while to investigate the chances for bargains here.

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Pay your water bills to Charles E. Moser at his residence on Acacia Avenue.

It is not in partisan politics that Tropico shines. The first, last and only attempt at a "rally" in the campaign now closed was pulled off by the progressives at K. of P. Hall last Wednesday night. In any other locality it would have been looked upon as a humiliating failure. But here in Tropico it was voted "a howling" success, and for Tropico so it was; and really the speakers, Mrs. Florence Cooper, a delegate to the Chicago Republican Convention; Charles Bell, Republican candidate for Congress, and William J. Carr, Independent Progressive Party candidate for Senator Bell's unexpired term in the State Senate, should feel themselves honored in having as many out to hear them as they did. Dr. A. M. Duncan, a veteran Republican, presided and introduced the speakers with appropriate references to their distinction in the service of the cause of progressiveism. Mrs. Cooper spoke entertainingly of experiences at Chicago and her sense of accountability as a delegate to the Republican convention to her country and people; Mr. Bell spoke instructively of the work of the party in its legislative and executive offices in carrying out its progressive policies, and Mr. Carr spoke enthusiastically and impressively of the honor he felt in being called to help in carrying forward the banner of human rights and political righteousness. Brief addresses were made by W. A. Roberts, condidate for the Assembly, and R. D. Pridham, candidate for Supervisor.

OPPORTUNITY COLUMN.

FOR SALE—80 acres foothill land, 2 miles from town of Ferris, Riverside Co., some improvements, Price $1,600.00, ½ cash. See owner, 829 Pacific Ave., Glendale. Mail Address, R. R. No. 5, Box 305, Los Angeles, Cal.—Adv.

FOR SALE—Three-burner gas plate and top oven; cheap. Phone 284-J. —Adv. tf

Now is the time to subscribe for the Sentinel.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Glendale. Services in the Masonic Hall on Brand Boulevard. Sunday, 11 a. m., Wednesday, 8 p. m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

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The Root of Evil

By THOMAS DIXON

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(Continued from last week.)

SYNOPSIS

Stuart, southern lawyer in New York, is in love with Nan Primrose. His friend, Dr. Woodman, who has a young daughter, is threatened with the loss of his drug business by Bivens, whom he befriended years before. Stuart visits the Primroses.

Nan wants Stuart to accept a place with Bivens' chemical trust. He dislikes Bivens' methods and refuses. Bivens calls on him.

Bivens is in love with Nan. Stuart refuses the offer, and Nan breaks her engagement with the lawyer. Bivens asks Woodman to enter the trust.

Stuart strolled out aimlessly and began to ramble without purpose. Somehow today everything on which his eye rested and every sound that struck his ear proclaimed the advent of the trust's new power of which Bivens was the symbol—Bivens with his delicate, careful little hand, his bulging forehead, his dark keen eyes. What chance had his old friend Woodman against such forces?

That Bivens should fall hopelessly and blindly in love with Nan at first sight was too stupefying to be grasped at once. She couldn't love such a man—and yet his millions and that slippery mother were a sinister combination.

By evening he had thrown off his depression and met Nan with something of his old gayety, to which she responded with a touch of coquetry.

"Tell me, Jim," she began with a smile of mischief in her eyes, "why you called at the remarkable hour of 12 noon today? Am I becoming so resistless that work no longer has any charms? You must have something very important to say?"

"Yes. I have, Nan," he answered soberly, taking her hand. "I want a public announcement of our engagement in tomorrow morning's papers."

"But why? You know the one concession, the only one I have ever made to my mother's hostility to you, is that our engagement shall be kept secre until we are ready to marry. We must play fair."

"I will. We are ready now."

Nan's voice broke into a ripple of laughter.

"Oh, are we? I didn't know it."

"Yes, that's what I came to tell you," Stuart went on, catching her spirit of fun and pressing her hand "I've arranged a little trip to the country tomorrow, and I'm going to convince you before we return. Make the announcement tonight, dear! On my honor I promise to convince you tomorrow that we are ready. I've an argument that never fails—an argument no woman can resist."

"Not tonight, Jim," was the laughing reply.

"Can't you trust me when I tell you that I've discovered something today that makes it necessary? I have seen Mr. Bivens."

Nan leaped to her feet, her face flushed, her voice ringing with triumph.

"And you did what I asked you. Oh, you're a darling! Why did you tease me so last night? You accepted his offer?"

"I'm sorry to disappoint you, dear, but I did not."

The girl dropped into her seat, with a sigh, while he went on:

"Bivens further confided in me the fact that he is hopelessly and desperately in love with you."

A flash of anger mantled Nan's cheeks.

"That will do, Jim," she said in quiet cold tones. "Your joke has gone far enough."

"Joke! Do you think I could joke on such a subject?"

A smile began to play about the corners of the full lips.

"I never dreamed he was so easy." Still smiling dreamily Nan crossed her hands over her knees and studied the pattern in the rug, ignoring the presence of her lover.

"Let's not joke, Nan. It's too serious."

"Serious! I fail to see it."

"Can't you see that we must at once announce our engagement?"

The girl's lips curled with the faintest suggestion of sarcasm.

"I don't see it at all. You may be a good lawyer, but I fail to follow your logic."

Stuart rose, with a gesture of anger.

"Come to the point, Nan. Let's not beat the devil around the stump any longer. You know as well as I do that you've been trying to flirt with this little insect. You know in your heart of hearts you despise Bivens."

"On the contrary, I vastly admire him. The man who can enter with his handicap this big, heartless city and successfully smash the giants who oppose him is not an insect. I'd rather call him a hero. All women admire success."

"It's disgusting!"

Nan fixed her dark eyes on Stuart.

"How dare you use such a word to me?"

"Because it's true, and you know it."

"True or false, you can't say it"—she rose deliberately—"you may go now."

"Forgive me, dear," Stuart stammered in a queer, muffled voice. "I didn't mean to hurt you. I was mad with jealousy."

"You may go," was the hard, even answer.

"I can't go like this, dearest," he pleaded. "You must forgive me—you must! Look at me!"

She turned slowly, stared him full in the face for a moment without the quiver of an eyelid, her fine figure tense, erect, cold, as she quietly said:

"You are tiring me, Jim."

For the first time he saw a cold blooded calculation behind her beautiful eyes and felt it in the smile which showed the white teeth—the smile of a woman who would pause at nothing to get what she wanted.

A blush of shame tinged his face as he tremblingly said:

"Please, dear, let's not part like this! I've suffered enough today. You're only teasing me. And I've acted like a fool. Say that you forgive me!"

"Our engagement is at an end, Mr. Stuart," was the quiet answer.

"Nan"—

Before he could recover from the shock or utter a protest she opened the door and he had passed out into the night.

CHAPTER IV.

The Forgotten Man.

THE next day Stuart called a messenger and sent a note to Nan asking her to forget the ugly memory of the night before and fulfill her promise to go to the country when the rain ceased. If it continued to rain he would call at 8. He told the boy to wait for an answer. The messenger returned promptly and handed back his note unopened.

Of course she was bluffing. She knew she had the whip hand for the moment and meant to use it.

"Well, two can play this game," he muttered. "We'll see who wins!"

He turned to his work with grim resolution.

For two weeks the battle between pride and love raged in silence. Each day he rose with the hope of some sign from Nan, and each day hope died in a more desperate and sullen despair. At last he began to question the wisdom of his course. Should he not fight his battle at closer range? What if he were in reality engaged in a mortal combat with Bivens' millions for Nan's soul and body! The idea was too hideous to be thinkable.

And yet the more he thought of the scene of their parting, the more sickening became the conviction that her anger at his use of an ugly word was merely a subterfuge to break their engagement. The perfidy and cruelty of such an act was too hideous for belief—yet if the thing were possible!

One evening he made up his mind to go at once and fight for his old place beside her on any terms she would grant. He seized his hat and opened the door. To his amazement Bivens was leisurely ascending the steps. Stuart stepped into the parlor and sat down with resignation to await his entrance.

To his amazement he heard the maid say:

"This way, sir. Dr. Woodman asks you to wait for him in the library."

So Bivens was calling on his arch enemy by appointment. Stuart replaced his hat on the rack and returned to his room, determined to await the outcome of this extraordinary visit.

On Dr. Woodman's entrance Bivens rose to greet him with unusual animation and unmistakable good will. When the doctor grasped the outstretched hand a more striking contrast could scarcely be imagined—the one big, bluff, jovial, sunny, powerful and straight of figure as he was always straight in speech and manners, the financier small and weak in body, his movements sinuous, flexible, with eyes that never looked at the man he was talking to, yet always seemed to be taking in everything in the room.

"Well, Bivens, what can I do for you? I understand from your note that the matter is important."

"Of the gravest importance to us both, doctor," he answered, with a smile. "For a peculiar personal reason I want us to get together and settle our differences."

"Are there any differences between us? You go your way, and I go mine. You run your business to suit yourself, and I'll do the same. The world's big enough for us both"—

"That's just the trouble," Bivens interrupted. "It isn't. We are entering a new era of combination, merger, co-operation."

"Compulsory co-operation!" the doctor laughed.

"It may be so at last," the little man said soberly. "Certainly the old idea of competition is played out. We no longer believe that business men should try to cut each other's throats."

"Oh, I see!" sneered the doctor. "They should get together, corral their customers and cut their throats."

"You must recognize the fact that the drug trade is a business enterprise, not a charity organization."

"Even so, still I happen to know that within a stone's throw of my store swarms a population of a quarter of a million human beings so poor that only 300 of them ever have access to a bath-room. You ask me to enter with you into a criminal conspiracy to suppress freedom of trade and use fraud and violence if necessary to win"—

"Fraud and violence?" Bivens interrupted, smilingly.

"Certainly. What sort of merchandise does the 'organizer' of modern industry bring to market? Tricks and subterfuges in the form of printed paper called stocks, which represent no value. From the moment a financier once tastes this blood he becomes a beast."

"Come, come, doctor, you must realize the fact that in the drug business we are bringing order out of chaos and at last putting the trade on a paying basis."

"But at what a price! You have closed mills instead of opening them, thrown out of work thousands, lowered the price paid for raw material, bringing ruin to its producers, increased the price charged for your products to the ruin of the consumer, and saddled millions of fictitious debts on the backs of their children yet unborn. The price of living has been increasing steadily with the organization of each industry into a trust. Where will it end?"

Bivens' eyes narrowed to the merest points of concentrated light, while an amused smile played about them.

"The trust is here to stay, doctor. Legislation against it is as absurd and futile as a movement to stop the tides. You cannot make economy a crime, progress a misdemeanor, or efficiency a felony! If so, you can destroy the trusts."

"I'm not clear yet how it is to be done," was the passionate answer, "but as sure as God lives we are going to do something. At present we are putting wreckers in charge of organization and famine producers in charge of production. It can't last. I believe in this republic. For the moment the people are asleep. But time is slowly shaping the issue that will move the last laggard. We are beginning dimly

"The trust is here to stay."

to see that there is something more precious in our life than the mere tonnage of national wealth—the spirit of freedom and initiative in our people! Shall they become merely the hired men of a few moneyed kings? Or shall the avenues of industry and individual enterprise remain open to their children? The people will answer these questions!"

Bivens gave a cynical little chuckle.

"Then I'm sure we'll get the wrong answer, doctor," was the response.

"They will get it right by and by. The nation is young. You say you believe in God. Well, see to it—a thousand years are but a day to him! Among the shadows of eternity he is laughing at your follies. Nature in her long, slow, patient process is always on the side of justice."

Bivens rose with a movement of impatience.

"I'm sorry you can't see your way to listen to any proposition from me, doctor. I'm a practical man. I wish to incorporate your business into the general organization of the American Chemical company on terms that will satisfy you"—

"Such terms can't be made, Bivens," the doctor said impetuously. "Your purpose is to squeeze money out of the people—the last dollar the trade will bear. That is your motto. I simply refuse. To you the city is merely a big flock of sheep to be sheared, while to me its myriad sounds are the music of a divine oratorio, throbbing with tears and winged with laughter. I call the people my neighbors—these hurrying throngs who pass me daily. Because they are my neighbors they are my friends. Their rights are sacred. I will not rob, maim or kill them, and I will defend them against those who would."

Bivens merely shrugged his shoulders and answered in measured, careful tones:

"Then I suppose I'll have to fight you whether I wish it or not?"

"Yes, and you knew that before you came here tonight. You have heard that I am beginning a suit for damages against your company"—

Bivens laughed in spite of himself, bit his lips and looked at the doctor.

"I assure you I had heard nothing of such a suit, and now that I have it does not even interest me."

"Then may I ask the real reason for this urgent call?"

"You may," was the cheerful response. "And I will answer frankly. I am engaged to be married to Miss Nan Primrose. The wedding is to occur in a few weeks. In some way she has learned of a possible conflict between your interests and mine and asked me to settle them."

"And, may I ask, why? I don't even know Miss Primrose."

"A woman's whim perhaps. Possibly because our mutual friend, Mr. Stuart, lives in your home, and she feared to lose his friendship in the conflict which might ensue."

The doctor was silent a moment and glared angrily at his visitor.

"Bivens, you're a liar!" he cried in a sudden burst of rage.

"I am your guest, doctor"—

"I beg your pardon. I forgot myself."

"I assure you," the little financier continued smoothly, "that my intentions were friendly and generous. My only desire was to help you and make you rich."

Again the doctor's eyes blazed with wrath, and he completely lost his self control.

"Dash you! Have I asked for your help or patronage? Its offer is an insult. I want you to remember, sir, that I picked you up out of the streets of New York ill, hungry, out of work, friendless, and gave you your first job."

Bivens, breathing heavily, turned, his face black with hate, and slowly said:

"I'll make you live to regret this interview, Woodman."

With a contemptuous grunt the doctor closed the door.

When Stuart heard the door close and Bivens' step die away on the pavement below he came down to see the doctor, haunted by a strange vision. From every shadow he saw Nan's face looking into his. He was not superstitious. This impression he knew was simply a picture burned into his tired brain by days and nights of intense longing. It was the ghost of Nan's face—old, white, pulseless, terrible in its beauty, but dead.

He paused in the lower hall and watched for a moment a scene between father and daughter through the open door of the library.

Harriet had just bounded into the room and stood beside the doctor's chair with an arm around his neck and the other hand gently smoothing his soft gray hair. She was crooning over his tired figure with the quaintest little mother touches.

"You look so worn out, papa, dear. What have you been doing?"

"Something very foolish, I'm afraid, baby—I've just refused a fortune that might have been yours some day."

"Why did you refuse it?"

"Because I didn't believe it was clean and honest."

"Then I shouldn't want it. I'd rather be poor."

The big hands drew the golden head closer still and pressed a kiss on the young forehead.

"My husband will love me, won't he? I shall not mind if I'm poor," she went on laughing as Stuart entered the room.

"See, boy, how's she's growing, this little baby of mine!" the doctor exclaimed, wheeling her about for Stuart's inspection. "Run now, girlie, and go to bed. I want to talk to Jim."

"Well, my boy," said the doctor when she had left, "I've just done a thing which I know was inevitable, but now that's it's done I'm afraid I may have made a tragic mistake. Tell me if it's so. There may be time to retract."

"Bivens has threatened to ruin your business?"

"On the other hand he has just offered to buy it at my own price."

"And you refused?"

"To sell at any price, but it's not too late to change my mind. I can call him back now and apologize for my rudeness. Tell me, should I do it? Your eyes are young, boy; your soul is fresh from God's heart. I'm just a little lonely and afraid tonight. See things for me—sit down a moment."

"There are several reasons why you couldn't have a more sympathetic listener tonight, doctor—go on."

"Grant all their claims," he began impatiently, "for the trust—its economy, its efficiency, its power, its success—this is a free country, isn't it?"

"Theoretically."

"Well, when I hint at such a thing to your modern organizing friend that these enormous profits for the few must be paid out of the poverty of the many—against whom the strong and cunning are thus combining—a simple answer is always ready, 'Business is business,' which translated is the old cry that the first murderer shrieked into the face of his questioner, 'Am I my brother's keeper?' I saw murder in those black bead eyes of Bivens' tonight. Do you think he would hesitate to close a factory to increase a dividend if he knew that act would result in the death of its employees from weakness and hunger? Not for a minute. He hesitates only at a violation of the letter of the criminal code."

"But if you sell your business to these men and retire will you necessarily share in their wrongdoing?"

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Whereas, in a certain deed of trust, dated January 25, 1910, executed at Los Angeles County, California, by H. M. Robents, trustee, O. A. Pixley, trustee, James G. Garth and Jessie Garth, his wife, and S. McCray, a widower, parties of the 1st part, L. C. Brand, trustee, party of the second part, and Title Guarantee and Trust Company, a corporation, party of the 3rd part, and recorded February 25, 1910, in Book 4066, page 128, of Deeds, Records of Los Angeles County, California, to which record reference is hereby made; said parties of the 1st part, H. M. Roberts, trustee, O. A. Pixley, trustee; James G. Garth and Jessie Garth, his wife and S. McCray, a widower, did grant and convey the premises therein described, to L. C. Brand, as trustee, for the uses and purposes set out in said trust deed, among other uses, to secure the payment of one certain promissory note and interest according to the terms of said note, and other sums of money advanced, and interest thereon, said note being executed by James G. Garth, S. McCray, W. A. Roberts, Hugh Glassell and M. B. Roberts, the same being made due and payable to Title Guarantee and Trust Company, a corporation, the party of the 3rd part.

Whereas, there has been a default in the payment of the balance of the principal of said note, according to the terms thereof, and a default in the payment of the monthly installment of interest due and payable on said note May 6, 1912, and all subsequent monthly installments of interest, there being the total sum of forty thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and 81-100 dollars ($40,829.81) now due and unpaid.

Whereas, it is provided in said trust deed that if there is a default in the payment of any of the principal, interest, or money advanced for any purpose, mentioned as secured by said deed, that upon application of the party of the 3rd part, or its assigns, the party of the 2nd part shall give notice and sell the premises or as much thereof as shall be necessary to sell to pay the liabilities unpaid secured by the said trust deed.

Whereas, said Title Guarantee and Trust Company a corporation, the holder of the note secured by said trust deed, by reason of the default in payments as stated, has applied to and requested said L. C. Brand, trustee, party of the 2nd part, to proceed and sell the granted premises, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to sell to pay the whole of the principal, interest, and interest thereon, attorney fees, and all costs, charges and expenses incurred necessary to the execution of said trust and,

Whereas, said L. C. Brand, trustee, has demanded payment of said James G. Garth, S. McCray, W. A. Roberts, Hugh Glassell, and M. B. Rogers, of the sum of forty thousand eight hundred twenty-nine and 81-100 dollars ($40,829.81), which sum remains due and unpaid.

Now therefor, notice is hereby given that said L. C. Brand, trustee, by virtue of the authority vested in him as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash in gold coin on the 30th day of November, 1912, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the Westerly front entrance of the Court House in the City of and County of Los Angeles, State of California, all the interest conveyed by said parties of the 1st part to the party of the 2nd part, by said trust deed, in and to all the following described property, situated in the Rancho San Rafael, County of Los Angeles, State of California:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, and all that part of Lot 4 not included in Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, as per map recorded in Book 16, pages 54 and 55 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said Los Angeles County, and all that part of Lot 8 not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, or in Tract No. 635, Sheet 2, as per map recorded in Book 20, pages 98 and 99 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said Los Angeles County, all in Block "A," and all those parts of Lots 1, 3 and 4 not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 2, and all that part of Lot 2 not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, or in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 2, all in Block "B," and all of Blocks "E" and "M", and all of that part of Block "L" not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, and all of that part of Block "D" not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, or in said Tract No. 635 Sheet 2, or in Tract No. 852, as per map recorded in Book 18, page 34, of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of said Los Angeles County, and all that part of Block "K" not included in said Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, or in said Tract No. 852, all in Tract No. 607, as per map recorded in Book 15, pages 146 and 147 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said Los Angeles County:

Said Lots 2, 3, 4, and 8 in Block "A" and said Blocks "E," "K," and "L", subject to a mortgage executed by D. W. Lawrence to Hugh Glassell and Andrew Glassell, executors of the estate of Andrew Glassell, deceased, to secure four notes, dated June 18, 1909, aggregating $26,269.00, recorded in Book 2283, page 13 of Mortgages, Los Angeles County Records, and said Lots 2 and 4 in Block "B" and said Blocks "D" and "M" subject to a mortgage executed by D. W. Lowrence to Hugh Glassell and Andrew Glassell, executors of the estate of Andrew Glassell, deceased, to secure four notes, dated June 18, 1909, aggregating $35,500.00 recorded in Book 2210, page 290 of Mortgages, Los Angeles County Records, to which mortgages and the record thereof reference is hereby made for further particulars;

Also Lot No. 47 of the Montezuma Tract, as per map of the Southern portion of said tract, recorded in Book 52, page 53, Miscellaneous Records of said County, said Lot 47 subject to said mortgage recorded in Book 2282, page 13 of Mortgages herein above referred to;

Also that part of said Rancho San Rafael described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of said Lot forty-seven (47) of the Montezuma Tract; thence southerly along the west line of Highland Avenue, as said avenue is shown on said map of the southern portion of the Montezuma Tract, two hundred eleven and twenty-two hundredths (211.22) feet, more or less, to the north line of Avenue 50, as said Avenue 50 is shown on the map of Highland Park Extension, recorded in Book 3, page 10, of Maps, in the office of the said County Recorder; thence westerly, along said north line of Avenue 50, fourteen hundred four and thirty-two hundredths feet, (1404.32) more or less, to an intersection with the west line of said Lot forty-seven (47) of the Montezuma Tract prolonged south; thence north, along said prolonged west line, one hundred forty-six and twenty-two hundredths (146.22) feet more or less, to the southwest corner of said Lot forty-seven (47); thence southeasterly, along the south line of said Lot forty-seven (47), thirteen hundred thirty-seven (1337) feet to the place of beginning;

Excepting from said last mentioned parcel, Lots 1, 6 and 7 in Block "A" and Lots 1 and 3 in Block "B" of said Tract No. 607, said lots being specifically described and included herein and in said trust deed, said parcel last above described subject to said mortgage recorded in Book 2283, page 13, of Mortgages hereinabove referred to;

Also, Lots 2, 3, 6, 9, 17 and 18, in Block "A," Lots 10 to 21, both inclusive, 25 and 26 in Block "B," Lots 3, 5, 8 to 24, both inclusive, 26, 27 and 28 in block "C," Lots 2, 8, 9, 11 to 16, both inclusive, 18 to 22, both inclusive, in Block "D," Lots 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12 to 18 both inclusive, in Block "E," Lots 1 to 5, both inclusive, 8, 10 to 14, both inclusive, in Block "F," Lot 12 in Block "G," Lots 1, 2, 3, 10 to 13, both inclusive, in Block "H," all of Block "I," and Lot "A," all in Tract No. 635, Sheet 1, as per map recorded in Book 16, pages 54 and 55 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said county; all of said lots subject to said mortgage recorded in Book 2210, page 290 of Mortgages, hereinabove referred to;

Also, all of Blocks "J," "K" and "L" of Tract No. 635, Sheet 2, as per map recorded in Book 20, pages 98 and 99 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said county; except that part of Lots 1, 9 and 10, in said Block "L" lying north of the southerly boundary line of the City of Eagle Rock, subject to said mortgage recorded in Book 2210, page 290 of Mortgages, hereinabove referred to;

Also, all that part of Lots 57 to 67, both inclusive, lying west of the east line of Block "D" of said Tract No. 607, in Tract No. 852, as per map recorded in Book 18, page 34 of Maps, Los Angeles County Records subject to said mortgage recorded in Book 2210, page 290, of Mortgages, hereinabove referred to.

Or so much thereof as shall be necessary to pay the total amount of the principal, interest, advances, charges, and costs accrued, amounting to the sum of forty-five thousand and 00-100 dollars ($45,000.00) due and unpaid.

In witness whereof said L. C. Brand, as trustee, has set his hand at Los Angeles, California, this 3rd day of October, 1912.

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COMPANY OFFERS TO STRAIGHTEN BOULEVARD

Representative of Harbor Concern Tells Advisors Condemnation Proceedings Will No Be Necessary.

Condemnation of the Wilmington-San Pedro road across Lot L will probably not be necessary for representatives of the Los Angeles Harbor company, owner of Lot L appeared before the harbor advisory board and offered to donate a 100-foot strip to straighten the boulevard, on certain conditions. These representatives were H. C. Oakley, vice-president of the Los Angeles Harbor company and L. W. Moultrie, attorney for the company. Three representatives expressed surprise that the advisory board had even contemplated condemnation, declaring they had repeatedly offered to give the city the very land it wants but had heard nothing in response to their offer.

Lot L joins Wilmington at the south end of First street and the road now is a narrow, crooked highway on which the Pacific Electric has its tracks.

Agreement Reached.

At the conference of the harbor advisory board, representatives of the Los Angeles Harbor company and representatives of the Pacific Electric it was agreed that the city should transfer the franchise o fthe Pacific Electric from the narrow strip to the wider, that the abandoned narrow strip should revert to the harbor company that owns the land and that the harbor company should have the privilege of dredging a channel across the road, provided it placed a satisfactory drawbridge over the channel. The Pacific Electric and the harbor company will join in the construction of this drawbridge and in the cost of maintenance.

A contract embodying these provisions is to be prepared by Leslie R. Hewitt, special harbor counsel, and submitted to the harbor advisory board next week. Meanwhile the condemnation proceedings will go ahead. They can be stopped at anytime if the final arrangements are satisfactory, while if they are not no time will be lost in the condemnation.

Contract Signed.

Before constructing the proposed wharf on Water street, Wilmington, the harbor advisory board wants to be sure that if the Southern Pacific should gain title to the land under the tidelands claims, that the city will be able to buy the land. Leslie R. Hewitt was instructed to negotiate with the Southern Pacific on this matter.

The plan for improving Water street contemplate the construction of a wharf with creosoted piling, along Water street. The wharf will be 670 feet long. A channel is to be dredged in front of this wharf 30 feet deep and the material is to be used to fill the area between Water and Front streets.

The board of public works reported that the contract for the piling for the Mormon Island channel had been signed and the contract for constructing the wharf awarded. The contract fixes a limit of six months in which the wharf must be finished.

—Municipal News.

CONDEMNS PLAN FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION

Assistant Engineer of Aqueduc Says Proposition is Commercially Unsound, Legally Questionable, Morally Wrong.

Condemning the plan of the public service commission for distributing the surplus aqueduct as "commercially unsound, legally questionable and morally wrong," J. B. Lippincott, assistant engineer of the Los Angeles aqueduct, voiced his objections in an address before the city club last Saturday.

"The proposed main to San Dimas alone," declared lippincott, "will cost as much as the entire present water works system of the city of Los Angeles to date. The cost per miner's inch of taking this water to San Dimas from San Fernando will be almost as great as the cost per miner's inch of bringing the water from the Owens Valley to San Fernando."

Lippincott advocated the plan outlined by a board of advisory engineers a year and a half ago providing for the creation of irrigation districts laid out along physical boundary lines contiguous to the city and organized under the Wright irrigation district act.

This plan, he argued, took cognizance of the fact that a large part of the water used for irrigation would find its way back into the streams at lower leveis, and would be available again for use on other lands.

"If the waters of the aqueduct, however," he said, "are carried outside the drainage basin of the Los Angeles river beyond Pasadena, these return waters will be lost to the city.

"The price proposed by the board of public service of two cents per hour per inch represents double the average cost of irrigation water in Southern California and more than a reasonable rate should be to insure successful farming."

—Municipal News.

TO BEGIN BY PASS WORK

Camp Located For Aqueduct Around San Fernando Dam.

To start the work of construction on the by-pass from the end of the equeduct, at the head of the San Fernando valley, to the south dam of the lower San Fernando reservoir, Chief Engineer Mulholland yesterday located a new camp near the Southern Pacific tracks just below the tunnel opening. The by-pass, which will carry the aqueduct full capacity around both the San Fernando reservoirs, will be used whenever it is desired to let the water flow direct into the Franklin canyon line, and thence into the city mains. It will be about 15,000 feet long, of covered concrete.

Mulholland also advanced his plans for the construction of a cascade, several hundred feet long, from the end of the tunnel to the reservoir, in order to display the water which the city is bringing from the snow-capped heights of the Sierras, 240 miles north.

WILL KEEP RECORD OF TRAFFIC STATISTICS

Secretary of Harbor Commission Prepares Ordinance That Will Bring In Reports From Owners of Wharves.

To provide the necessary traffic statistics that will show the amount of business done at Los Angeles harbor, the harbor commission has endorsed an ordinance prepared by C. H. Matson, Secretary of the commission, and forwarded it to the city council for adoption. This ordinance requires all owners or operators of wharves at the harbor to present a monthly statement to the commission showing the tonnage and nature of the traffic passing over their holdings. Blanks for these reports are to be furnished by the harbor commission.

Matson called the attention of the harbor commission to the fact that the commission is not receiving at first hand information concerning the traffic passing in and out of the harbor. With the exception of Los Angeles and San Diego harbors, the traffic of all other important ports of the Pacific coast is reported in a monthly summary issued by the department of commerce and labor of the United States government. At other ports, Matson said, traffic statistics are obtained largely from the customs officials and in some instances direct from port authorities.

—Municipal News.

MAYOR IS IMPATIENT WITH COUNCIL'S DELAY

Fire Chief Joins Property Owners in Demand for More Protection for Slauson, Monet and Vermont District.

Determined to get the money provided for fire protection in the budget into circulation as soon as possible, Mayor Alexander sent Fire Chief Eley to the council with instructions to hang on like a bulldog, until lots are purchased for fire engine houses and engine houses provided in the budget at constructed. As long as the money has been provided for these purposes the mayor believes there is no economy in keeping it in the treasury. He declared he was tired of the delay occasioned by the supply committee and finance committee and other departments of the city where delays have occurred. Chief Eley was well pleased to receive the mayor's instructions for he has also expressed himself impatient at delay.

A petition of property owners south of Slauson, between Moneta and Vermont, for better fire protection was one of the incentives for hurrying the purchase of property and construction of engine houses. The council has once advertised for a lot in the vicinity of Slauson and Figueroa, but only one bid was received and that was considered too high, so the bid has been rejected and proposals will again be asked.

Wants Safety Shafts.

Chief Eley wants the revised building code on which a committee of experts is now at work, to contain a provision requiring all elevator shafts to be enclosed in wire, glass or other fire proof material. Eley says that elevator shafts are flues for fires and are one of the worst factors in spreading a fire in a large building. Stairways are frequently built around elevator shafts, says the chief, and when these shafts are open escape by the stairs is sometimes impossible.

J. B. Lankershim, owner of the buildings occupied by Bishop & Co., donated $100 to the fireman's relief and pension fund.

Need Fire Hose.

Fireman C. L. Frazer was kicked by a horse and unable to attend to his dyties, according to a report to the commission by Chief Eley. As Frazer was on duty at the time he was injured he will be carried on the payroll during the time he is off duty.

Specifications for fire horse were adopted by the fire commission and forwarded to the city council with a request that the council advertise for bids for 6,000 feet. The specifications have been changed in one particular to provide for an additional test. The new test requires a discharge of 250 gallons per minute from the nozzle or 45 pounds nozzle pressure. The hose must be guaranteed to stand a test of 300 pounds when one year old, 250 pounds at two years and 200 pounds at three years.

According to the chief's report there were 18 alarms of fire last week and the fire loss was $9,860.

ACCOUNTING ORDERED

Board of Education Wants Report From Inspection Department

Monthly reports from the health inspection department of the Board of Education to the Superintendent were ordered by the Board on motion of Commissioner Frank at the last session. Frank declared that there had been no accounting from this department to anyone since last November when campaign charges about it were under investigation. He said the Board should be fully informed at all times of the cost of this work, how many visits are made and what is being done for the money.

"We have provided $17,000 for this bureau," he said, "and it has been many months since we have even bad a report from it."

The Board was quite astonished that no reports had been made and promptly passed the order requiring them regularly.

As the Los Angeles Railway corporation owns most of the frontage on Vermont avenue between Sixth and Fourth streets, the board of public works granted the company permission to fill the street at this point to the proposed new grade, preparatory to the construction of that section of the cross town car line.

Suit for the condemnation or land necessary to open Fifteenth street from St. Elmo to Alameda street, was filed in the superior court yesterday by the city attorney in accordance with an ordinance recently passed by the council.

BIDS ARE REJECTED ON MUNICIPAL WHARF

Harbor Commissioners Will Extend Time Limit for Construction in Order to Get Lowe Figures for Work.

Warning has been issued by the Raymond Concrete Pile company that the city must not infringe its patents in constructing the concrete piling for Municipal Dock No. 1. Infringements will bring about a damage suit, says the piling company. The Raymond company was one of the bidders for the work on the municipal dock. It did not get the contract and does not propose to allow anyone else to use its devices. The harbor commission sent a telegram to E. P. Goodrich, consulting harbor engineer, who designed the plans for Municipal Dock No. 1, setting forth the warning of the Raymond company, and asking what should be done about it, or if any of the Goodrich plans was likely to infringe on the patents. Goodrich replied that his plans were not infringements on any patents.

The harbor commission recommended to the board of public works that the bids for constructing Municipal Dock No. 1 be rejected because the lowest bid was $50,000 higher than the estimate of the chief harbor engineer. The board of public works acted on the suggestion and rejected the bids. W. M. Humphreys of the board of public works told the harbor commission that the high prices asked for the work was probably due to the short time allowed for the construction of the dock.

Will Allow More Time.

Bids will be asked again and if the recommendation of the harbor commission is adopted 14 months will be allowed to finish the construction work. The lowest bid received was that of Healy & Tibbetts Co., who offered to do the work for $492,000.

The harbor commission approved the specifications presented by the board of public works for dredging the channel along the east side of the Municipal Dock No. 1 and for moving back the north end of the government west jetty.

Don C. Fugitt, port warden, reported to the commission that the San Pedro Transportation company had been in the habit of charging 25 cents for eacn passenger crossing the channel after midnight. This had proved a hardship on some persons who had to go to and from their employment at night and Fugitt took the matter up with the ferry company with the result that the charge was reduced to five cents, the regular rate that prevails in the day time.

An ordinance prohibiting the depositing of scrap iron and other material of a similar nature in the harbor has been prepared by Special Counsel Hewitt and will be taken under consideration by the harbor board at its meeting today.

Secretary Matson was instructed by the commission to advertise for bids for a harbor boat to conform to specifications that the commission has previously adopted. Bids are to be opened at 10 o'clock a. m. Nov. 6.

Object to Wharfage.

The Independent Steamship company was granted a permit to sell tickets for the SS Avalon.

The bill of J. T. Sanders for a partial search of titles of harbor property was approved by the harbor commission for $182.50. The rest of the work will be done by the city attorney's office under the direction of C. H. Tribit, deputy city attorney.

Montgomery & Mullen, lumber dealers, have entered an objection to the charge of 65 cents per 1000 feet for wharfage and dockage on flooring and ceiling. They declared this kind of lumber is shipped in bundles equal to a 4x6 timber and should therefore only be assessed 50 cents per 1000, the rate for such timbers. The commission instructed Secretary Matson to look into the matter further.

A. V. Saph of Berkeley has applied for the new position of assistant chief harbor engineer. He was endorsed by Paul J. Ost of San Francisco, who is expected to stand high on the eligible list for chief electrical engineer of the fire alarm department. His application was referred to the board of public works by the harbor commission as the board will make the appointment.

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TO SELECT SITE FOR QUARANTINE STATION

Harbor Commission and U. S. Hospital Representative Look Over Ground—May Put Railway Terminal in Park.

City officers made two official trips of inspection to the harbor within the last few days. Yesterday the harbor commission, Secretary C. H. Matson and Major Glennon of the United States Marine hospital went to the harbor to select a location for the quarantine station. It had been determined to place the station on Deadman's Island, but changes in harbor lines and development plans may make it necessary to change the location of the station.

A trip was made last week by Mayor Alexander, F. T. Woodman and C. M. Gordon of the harbor commission; W. M. Humphreys of the board of public works; Chief Harbor Engineer Hamlin and Special Counsel L. R. Hewitt. During this trip the officials looked over the work that has been accomplished and considered the advisability of using Plaza park at San Pedro as a terminal for the municipal railroad. People of San Pedro said they would not object if another park was given them.

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TO HOLD AVIATION MEET

Fourth Annual International To Be Held in Los Angeles

Los Angeles is maintaining an unbroken record for Southern California as the "home of aviation" in arranging the fourth annual international aviation meet for the coming winter. This is in spite of adverse criticism of New York authorities on flying who said that it would be impossible to keep up the pace, since New York tried and failed.

COMMISSIONER HEARS ARGUMENTS ON WATER

Tujunga Company Applies for Permission to Issue Bonds for Purposes of Development in Mountain Canyon.

Application by the Tujunga company, which is constructing reservoirs in the Big Tujunga canyon, for permission to issue bonds to the amount of $300,000 was resisted before Commissioner Edgerton, of the state railroad commission by the city, represented by W. B. Mathews, yesterday.

Edgerton heard the parties but as he ruled that both the application and the objections of the city should be amended the case will be taken up at a time to be fixed later.

The Tujunga company, under the law, must first secure consent of the railroad commission before it can issue any bonds. The issue it seeks to make is to cover construction cost.

Mathews, acting for the Public Service Commission, objected on the ground, he stated, that the water rights asserted by the Tujunga company are possessed by the city through adjudication. He states that the courts have held that the waters of the Los Angeles river and its tributaries belong to the city and that Tujunga creek is one of the tributaries. He also represented that if permission to issue bonds should be given it would be based on a water right that does not exist.

—Municipal News.

COUNCIL TO CHANGE NAMES OF STREETS

Engineer Recommends Ordinances for Renaming Avenues in Territory Bounded by Vermont, Hoover and Olympia.

Ordinances changing the names of seven streets in the territory bounded by Vermont avenue, Olympia boulevard, Hoover street and Laconia boulevard were presented to the council by the city engineer as follows:

North Arcadia place to One hundred and Twenty-fifth street, between Vermont avenue and a point 700 feet easterly; South Arcadia place to One Hundred Twenty-sixth street, between Vermont avenue and a point 850 feet easterly; North Arcadia place to Menlo avenue, between Olympia boulevard and One hundred and Twenty-fourth street; South Arcadia place to Arcadia place, between Olympia boulevard and the southerly line of Lot 3, Block G, of tract 80; South Arcadia place to One hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between Hoover street and the southwesterly line of Lot 11, Block F of tract 80; Arcadia drive to Laconia place, between Hoover street and a line 250 feet easterly; Arcadia drive to Ainsworth street, between One hundred and Twenty-third street and Laconia boulevard.

An ordinance also was presented in conformance with former instructions changing the name of Santa Monica avenue to Exposition boulevard between Hope street and Third avenue.

—Municipal News.

OPPOSES TAIL LIGHTS

Superintendent Says Red Lamps Wont Prevent Collisions

That placing a red "tail light" on each car will not lessen rear end collisions, is the opinion of J. J. Aiken, superintendent of the Los Angeles Railway corporation. Aiken appeared before the board of public utilities to discuss the question which came up in the form of a resolution adopted by the council asking the board to investigate the matter.

"If lights of this character would be an absolute protection against rear end collisions, we would most speedily adopt it," declaerd Aiken.

"I don't want a motorman to get in the habit of thinking the way is clear if he doesn't see a red light ahead. Why, we had a motorman who ran into a house one night—and the house had a red light on it too. That happened on Maple avenue where a house was being moved some time ago."

The board took the question under advisement until next Friday.

ISSUES STATEMENT

Auditor Shows Expenses for First Three Months of Year

According to the financial statement issued by the city auditor for the three months of the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, the various departments of the city have expended $1,370,256.62, out of the total budget allowance of $4,823,164.66, leaving $3,452,908.14 still to be expended.

While this showing would seem to indicate that the rate of expenditure for the first three months would result in a deficit at the end of the fiscal year if continued at the same rate, this is not the case, for in some instances it has been necessary to waive the rule allowing an expenditure of only one-twelfth the budget allowance in one month. This rule has been waived especially in matters of outlay when to have purchased the piece of machinery or constructed the building that the outlay represented, would have meant the installment plan instead of paying cash.

Distribution of the surplus aqueduct water was taken up by the city club at two meetings. Last Saturday J. B. Lippincott, assistant engineer of the aqueduct project spoke against the plan proposed by the public service commission and today S. C. Graham spoke in favor of the proposition. Next Saturday, Lewis R. Works will discuss the proposed county charter.

That the railway company can be compelled by the city to re-locate its tracks and construct double instead of single tracks at Naud Junction, is the substance of an opinion rendered by the city attorney to the board of public utilities. The board will take the question up with the railway corporation.

LIQUOR MEN FIGHT TO RETAIN PERMITS

Holder of License for Levy's Cafe to Show Cause Why Sale of Intoxicants at His Place Should Not Stop.

Six holders of liquor permits appeared before the police commission today on charges of having violated the liquor ordinance in some particular. They were cited to appear and show cause why their permits should not be revoked for improperly conducting their business. Interest centered chiefly about the trial of L. J. Christopher, who holds the liquor permit of Levy's cafe. The charge was made that indecent literature had been sold in the restaurant.

George C. Lem, who conducts the Pekin at 419 South Main, one of the best known Chinese restaurants in the city, was before the board on a charge of selling liquor without meals.

Other holders of liquor permits who are fighting to retain them today are: G. L. Rogers, 117 West First, restaurant No. 1; Sam Straus, 744 South Spring, wholesale; W. O. Stewart, 434 East Fifth, saloon and Woodward, Conner & Kehoe, 800 South Spring, wholesale.

Officers Injured.

Two patrolmen were injured according to a report of the chief of police and will be carried on the payroll while unable to perform their duties. W. H. Bispham was cut on the hand in a fight with a drunken man and R. C. Weiss, traffic officer, was injured by an automobile.

Acting on the request of Chief Sebastian the police commission urged the city council to hasten the adoption of an amended ordinance regulating dance halls. The ordinance the commission wants adopted was drawn by the prosecuting attorney and referred to the council. July 27 the council referred the ordinance to the city attorney for redrafting.

The annual benefit base ball game between the police and fire departments will take place Nov. 2. The numbers of the police department have been given permission to sell tickets for the game. The proceeds will go to the widows and orphans of former policemen and firemen.

Permits granted by the police commission were as follows: Arthur Don, 124 West Fourth, employment agency; Isaac Zemansky, 453 North Broadway, auctioneer; H. F. Smith, 128 West Fifth, employment agency; J. M. Davenport, 112 Court, pool room; H. Fujita, 434 South Spring, auctioneer; Charles McArthur, 426 East Fifth, shooting gallery; Thomas H. Dunn, 117 East First, restaurant No. 2, liquor; George Valentine, 228 East Third, retail liquor; B. B. Hibbard, 610½ South Broadway, electrical treatment; Lottie Buchanan, 413 West Seventh, employment agency; Mrs. A. A. Thompson, 813 South Flower, employment agency; G. L. Ward, 654½ South Main, billiard; S. Yamamoto, 241 Aliso, pool room.

Permits denied were as follows: Grace Orr, 334 Title Insurance and Trust building, electrical treatments; Lula Peet, 252 South Main, palmistry; J. M. Cummings, 2306 Hoover, billiards.

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SAYS SCHOOL FUNDS IMPROPERLY EXPENDED

Member of Board of Education Opposes More Lights for Social Center—Declares Foreigners Would Break Them.

A recommendation for eight arc lights for the social center at the Macy school led President Guinn, of the board of education to declare that too much money raised for elementary education is being spent on extraneous matters. He said it was likely that those for whom the lights were intended would break them without delay and he pointed out how "those foreigners, who would give us most trouble if there should be an anarchistic uprising" had broken the windows of other buildings.

Guinn said he visited a half way school in a "shack" and found barefoot children on a cement floor in a room that "looked as if the whole Turkish army had taken a shot at it." He protested against inadequate provision for the elementary schools and the housing of half day classes in "shacks" as he called the temporary bungalows.

Commissioner Frank agreed that the half day schools should be ended by the addition of sufficient bungalow rooms and the building committee was instructed to act and act quickly, in order that half day sessions may be abandoned.

Legality Questioned

The dispute over the arc lights came when Col. Steadman expressed doubt that the board has a legal right to expend elementary school money for a social center gymnasium, attended by persons over school age and by many who seek recreation and not education. Bean and Blight said enough has not been done in aid of social center work, but Steadman's legal point held the approval of the lights in suspense until the district attorney is consulted. Steadman said he is not opposed to social center expenditures but he believes the elementary department should have first call on the funds.

To aid the building committee in eliminating need for half day schools the superintendent was instructed to furnish a list of all schools having bungalow rooms and half day schools and this list is to be brought to adequate provisions for all.

On the recommendation of the board of education the legislation committee of the city council will consider an ordinance forbidding the purchase of school books from children without the consent of parents or school principal.

Judge Wood, of the Superior Court, has held the demurrer of the city good to the suit of H. T. Ogle, assignee of a number of street department employes who sought to obtain $3761.90 from the city for alleged overtime at the rate of 56¼ cents an hour.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1912.

That Republican is hard up for an excuse for voting the Democratic ticket instead of the ticket his party has indorsed who does so on the ground that Theodore Roosevelt and Hiram Johnson are at the head of it. How is it with you? Are you in that sad predicament?

Judge Works says he won't leave his party. Why should he? He certainly don't have to. True his party organization here at home has indorsed the Progressive Party nominations; but if his personal dislike of Roosevelt and Johnson is so strong and bitter that he can't forget it, he don't have to do the political harakara stunt of going over to the democracy.

POWERFUL APPEAL TO THE CONSCIENTIOUS VOTER

With the memorable words of Theodore Roosevelt in closing his Madison Square address fresh in mind no Republican voter can feel that he is violating his conscientious duty to vote the California Republican ticket for the Presidency:

"We intend to strike down privilege, to equalize opportunity, to wrest justice from the hands that do injustice, to hearten and strengthen men and women for the hard battle of life. We stand shoulder to shoulder in a spirit of real brotherhood, we recognize no difference of class, creed or birthplace. We recognize no sectionalism. Our appeal is made to the easterner no less than to the westerner. Our appeal is made to the southerner no less than to the northerner. We appeal to the men who wore the gray just as we appeal to the men who wore the blue. We appeal to the sons of the men who followed Lee, no less than to the sons of the men who followed Grant; for the memory of the great deeds of both is now part of the common heritage of honor which belongs to all our people, wherever they dwell.

"We firmly believe that the American people feel hostility to no man who has honestly won success. We firmly believe that the American people ask only justice; justice each for himself and justice each for all others. They are against wickedness in rich men and poor men alike. They are against lawless and murderous violence, exactly as they are against the sordid materialism which seeks wealth by trickery and cheating, whether on a large or a small scale."

GIVE US A SQUARE DEAL

Until a very recent date Los Angeles City officials, Council and Public Service Commission, have held to the position that aqueduct water "should not be furnished to any district, unless there is a reasonable assurance that it will ultimately become a portion of the City." It was accordingly proposed to dispose of the water to a territorial area of 135,000 acres of land, including several cities, which, it is supposed, the distinguished guardians of a great public trust had reasonable assurance would ultimately become a part of the city. Within this territorial area, and constituting its largest landed proportion by far is the great San Fernando valley.

It is the opinion of every fair minded citizen familiar with the facts that there was something owing to the San Fernando Valley from the City of Los Angeles and that this proposal to share liberally with the valley in the disposal of aqueduct water, was, after all merely a belated recognition of the valley's rights and a just restitution for exactions the valley had been forced to yield to the imperious demands of municipal over-lords in the celebrated case of man-made Paramount Right vs. God-made Natural Right, heard in the courts of the country a few and unforgotten years ago. Ungrateful and unjust as Los Angeles in all its pride and power may be, there is no getting around the fact that but for its outrageous exploitation of the farms and farmers of the San Fernando Valley little more than the little old Sonora Town of thirty years ago would it be today.

But there was and still is a disposition on the part of the San Fernando Valley to overlook the domineering, offensive and insulting attitude of a little "brief authority" towards it, and to go ahead to do the best that may be done under the circumstances.

There isn't a man in the City of Los Angeles at all fit to be on its water board who does not know that the San Fernando Valley can utilize every inch of aqueduct surplus water the City will ever have for its disposal; who does not know that everything at all necessary to do in furtherance of or for the consummation of the original plans of the Public Service Commission of sixteen months ago is to build the proposed mains for the districts of the San Fernando Valley as then planned and mapped, and then proceed to sell them the water as their needs may require or their necessities demand.

Had this or a similar course been pursued at the outset the problem would have been solved by this time and the wisdom of the aqueduct's construction absolutely demonstrated.

The high-line-main-to-San Dimas proposition is an absurdity. There is no necessity for it. There is a necessity for a vast storage reservoir, however, somewhere in the foothills of the Canadas, about La Canada, perhaps, or below Sunland on the east, as time will demonstrate.

HIGH CLASS MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENTS ON THE BOARDS OF THE UNION HIGH SCHOOL

The entire college Extension Course of musical and dramatic evenings arranged by the Los Angeles Musical College is to be heard in Glendale. This is due to the co-operation of the high school classes in musical appreciation and the members of the Tuesday Afternoon Club. The Club ventures upon this undertaking with a view to laying the foundation of a permanent establishment, and the high school seeks to make its music classes intimately acquainted with the practice, as well as the theories of good music and the drama.

The Los Angeles Musical College has in its faculty an assemblage of half a hundred professional specialists drawn from the best stages and schools of America and Europe. Its Extension Course consists of five program groups of picked artists who constitute the public performance corps of the year. That all five groups are secured for Glendale speaks eloquently for the discernment and progressiveness of both high school and Club. Those opera-goers who have heard Mr. and Mrs. Harry Girard will be delighted to learn that their first appearance in public together since the birth of their little girl last spring will be in Glendale with the first of the groups. The educational value of this series, aside from its enjoyability to the public in general will be guessed at from the following brief statement of what artists are to appear and when:

1. Tuesday, November 5, 1912—Mr. Harry Girard, baritone; Mrs. Agnes Cain-Brown Girard, soprano; Mr. George Schoenefeld, harpsichord; Mme. Elsa Von Grofe-Menasco, cello; Mr. Ray Hastings, piano.

2. Tuesday, November 12, 1912—Mr. Anthony Carlson, basso; Mr. Vernon Spencer, piano; Mrs. Edna Drynan-Carlson, accompanist.

3. Tuesday, November 19, 1912—Mrs. Catharine Shank, soprano; Miss Fannie Dillon, composer-pianist; Mr. William Hullinger, flute; Miss Lila Trenan, accompanist.

4. Tuesday, November 29, 1912—Mr. Ralph Wylie, violin; Mrs. Ramona Rollins-Wylie, soprano; Mr. William Hooper Howells, writer; Mr. Georges Clerbois, accompanist.

5. Tuesday, December 3, 1912—Mr. Will E. Mates, cornet; Mr. C. S. De Lano, guitar; Miss Kathryn Thompson, saxophone; Mrs. C. S. DeLano, piano; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeGrasse, the drama.

The auditorium of the high school will be the scene of the entire course, and each program is timed for 8 p. m. A general and informal reception will follow the final number of each program.

Tickets can be had from Club members and at the Union High School.

THE P. T. A. MEET

The Parent Teachers Association held its regular monthly meeting Friday, November 1. There were a splendid lot of mothers and friends of the school present, and I want to tell you we had a father, too. You know this association is for fathers just as much as for mothers, and their combined efforts are worth while. Mrs. E. D. Yard read a very interesting paper. Miss Provolt gave us some charming music. After the count was taken of friends for the separate rooms, it was found that Miss Bond's room had highest percentage. It being the fifth grade's day to entertain, the girls of that room sang several songs. Then the guests spent a jolly social hour, after which the meeting was adjourned until the first Friday in December. Don't forget the day.

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AQUEDUCT POWER AND WATER CONDITIONS

The city of Los Angeles proposes going into the business of supplying the inhabitants of surrounding territory, far and near, with water from its Owens River aqueduct, for their domestic and irrigating purposes as their necessities may require.

With which to carry on this business the city will have 18,000 minor's inches of Owens River water in excess of its own needs.

The cost of the production of this excess may be safely put at about four-fifths of the entire cost of the aqueduct work—$20,000,000.

At 5 per cent, the annual interest on $20,000,000 is $1,000,000.

From the sale of 18,000 minor's inches of water at one and one-half cents an inch an hour, there would be derived a gross annual revenue of $2,342,800, or $1,342,800 per annum in in excess of the annual interest on the investment for its production.

The estimated cost of the mains for the San Fernando Valley and its immediate vicinity, is $1,650,000; for Los Angeles, $1,500,000 more. A total of $3,150,000. The annual interest on this sum at 5 per cent per annum is $157,500. Deducting for this, an excess of gross revenue from the sale of surplus water of $1,185,300 per annum would remain.

This would give $185,300 for annual up-keep, salaries, operating expenses, etc., and leave a million dollars to be carried to a sinking fund for the retirement of the principal debt.

But it is not satisfactory to the Los Angeles water board to limit its negotiations for the sale of this surplus to the people of the San Fernando valley and neighboring communities, at the rate of 1 1-2 cents an inch an hour. A two cent rate is demanded and to compel its payment, the electors of the Los Angeles are asked to recommend by a straw vote that a conduit across the foot of the Sierra Madre mountains be constructed from San Fernando to Glendora and San Dimas at an expense of $5,250,000 in the bonds of the city that the water may be sold to the rich growers of citrus fruits in that locality at a higher rate still; a rate double what is either offered by or demanded from San Fernando people, 3 to 4 cents an inch an hour.

In a recent address to the City Club the scheme was denounced by J. B. Lippincot, assistant engineer of the aqueduct construction, "as commercially unsound, legally questionable and morally wrong."

As long ago as July 1, 1911, the Public Service Commission, which now submits and urges the adoption of this new scheme, on the recommendation of its special board of civil engineers, proposed the distribution of the aqueduct surplus in the following manner:

District	Acres	Inches
McClay Ranch.....	4,000	534
Pacomia	5.000	666
Fernando	16.500	2.200
Mission	5.000	666
Chatsworth	30.580	4.078
Glendale	12.000	1.600
Providencia	18.000	2.400
Cahuenga	30.000	4.000
Pasadena, South Pasadena, Alhambra....	11.250	1.500
Bairdstown	2.670	356
Ten districts	135.000	18.000

Made a part of this proposition is the following: That all of the districts to which surplus water is allotted be annexed to the present city of Los Angeles. "This would not only eliminate many important legal questions involved, but would simplify the distribution of the water, and insure maximum economy in the administration, operation and maintenance of the water system. It would also enable the city to take such steps as are necessary to insure proper sanitary control of the entire water supply."

The proposition was notoriously incomplete. It fixed no price per inch, allotment, or in gross, and proposed no practical plan of organization for negotiating and securing a purchase. In fact it amounted to nothing more than a proposition to share the water with the districts named in the proportion specified on their becoming annexed to the city of Los Angeles.

The plan of constructing the mains at the cost of the city and selling the water at a fixed price per inch is entirely new. Had it been submitted originally, it would have been met and accepted a long time ago in all probability. Why its submission has been delayed until this time, and why prospective annexation to Los Angeles as a condition precedent to its consideration at all, is ignored now, is absolutely unaccountable on any hypothesis of ability in the water board or public service commission to handle the question with even a moderate degree of fairness and intelligence.

If it was the purpose of the water board to have the mains constructed at the city's expense and to sell the aqueduct surplus at a fixed rate, why was not this purpose communicated to the people of these proposed water districts of the San Fernando Valley long ago?

For months and months the board has been vainly importuned on behalf of these districts of the San Fernando Valley for a rate at which the water would be sold them. The probable reason why was brought out by the question Judge Thomas L. Gibbon asked Mr. Graham of the board last Wednesday.

"Has the board ever figured on what it wants to receive net?" asked Judge Gibbon.

Mr. Graham replied that he believed it had not, to a definite basis.

HELEN BEATRICE COOPER

One of the recent new comers to Tropico is Miss Helen Beatrice Cooper.

Miss Cooper is a dramitic soprano and has a remarkably sweet and powerful voice; she studied in Europe under some of the best masters, and after returning to this country located in Los Angeles, as that city offered many advantages for a well-trained voice, such as Miss Cooper possesses.

Miss Cooper was soloist for the Orpheus Club of Los Angeles, at their December concert of last year and the Los Angeles Tribune commenting on her work at this concert said: "She has the nearest thing to a perfect voice that has been heard in Los Angeles. * * * The wonderful thing about Miss Cooper's voice is that it never changes quality, climbing the mountains of melody she finds no timber line. There is the same round fullness of tone in the upper register as in the middle and lower voice.

"It is the voice which does not speak of method, placement, displacement, breathing, or any other branch of technique, for it is just an easy, natural voice from which song floats as easily as thistledown."

Although Miss Cooper has made many successes as a singer she has had great success as a teacher of the voice, making a specialty of voice placing and tone work.

Tropico will probably have an opportunity in the near future of hearing Miss Cooper sing.

Tropico extends Miss Cooper its heartiest greetings and welcomes her to the city.

What must be thought of the efficiency of a board in so responsible a position as is that of Mr. Graham's which is forced to so humiliating a confession as is this? It means, of course, that 2 cents an inch an hour is a just and proper price for the water is guessed at.

What would an ordinary business man think of a salesman who would "guess" at what his employer's net profits should be and effect a sale accordingly? How long would that hired man, whatever his brilliancy as a guesser, be apt to hold his job?

The practical men of the San Fernando Valley, with John Burr at their head, are firm in their belief that one and one-half cents an inch an hour, is enough to pay for aqueduct water.

Mr. Henderson of the water board is of the opinion that the defeat of the proposition for a bond issue of $8,400,000 for distributing mains is defeated at the straw vote election in the city today, the disposal of aqueduct water and power will be delayed indefinitely. If the proposition is defeated, or the vote is of a nature to indicate that the proposition does not meet with popular favor, it will be because of the obnoxious feature of bonding the city for a "High Line" main to San Dimas only. It should not and will not be taken as an expression of hostility to a special election for an issue of bonds for the San Fernando Valley mains.

INSTANTLY KILLED.

Last Wednesday afternoon, as Dr. J. H. Daugherty and his wife, Mrs. Myra Daugherty, of Fifth and Central, Glendale, were descending the Feliz Pass road, from Hollywood way, and were nearing the turn into the River road in their light, two-seated Ford automobile, they collided with a heavy two-seated car an instant after it had whirled onto the curve from the opposite direction, with distressingly fatal consequences—the instant death of Mrs. Daugherty and the painful injury of her husband.

In making the curve in the road and going in the direction from which Dr. Daugherty was approaching, the driver of the heavy car, Earl V. Bothwell, of 329 Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, crossed the road from his right side to his left on a wide turn. As the drivers of the two cars came in sight of each other they were only a few seconds apart and both on the same side of the road—the wrong side for the heavy car and the right side for the light one. It was an exciting moment and in their confusion both drivers, each to escape from the other, turned their machines simultaneously to cross to the opposite side of the road. This brought the big car down upon the little one with terrific force. The smaller car was struck on the side upon which Mrs. Daugherty was sitting with such violence as to smash it into flinders. Mrs. Daugherty was hurlad into the ditch in front of the big car and crushed to death under its wheels. The doctor was thrown violently to one side, sustaining severe injuries. Dr. Duncan was called to his assistance who caused him to be removed to Glendale Sanitarium where he now is, swathed in bandages. The lifeless body of Mrs. Daugherty was removed to the Pulliam's undertaking parlors and an inquest into the cause of her death held by the coroner on Saturday night.

The occupants of the car with which the fatal collision occured escaped serious injury. They were Earl V. Bothwell, a 19-year-old boy, living at 329 Manhattan Place. He was driving the heavier automobile. He was accompanied by Miss Sadie Carpenter of Beaudry avenue, Harry Love of 457 Harvard boulevard and Miss Billy Rogers of Hollywood.

QUAIL HUNTER SHOT.

Burdette Betten, of Tropico, was accidentally shot while out quail hunting with a party of friends last Sunday, by one of his companions, L. Lidster, of Los Angeles. Lidster let both barrels of his gun go at a rising covey of quails and Betten happned to be in range of the shot, nearly all of which took effect in his side. The most serious wound is in the eye. The accident happened at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He was rushed in a passing auto to his father's home in Ross Court in the Treadwell Tract.

It is said by parties in a position to know whereof they speak that Glendale's refusal to vote bonds for the purchase of the property of the companies engaged in the business of supplying the inhabitants of the city with Verdugo canyon and pumped water is indicative of a purpose on the part of its people to do away with their present somewhat rust-rotted and dilapidated distributing system and substitute for it a new and independent system of pressure pipe, and supplement their supply by purchasing aqueduct water from Los Angeles, fifty to a hundred inches. By this course they plan to avoid an expenditure of any more than is sufficient to provide an adequate distributing system. It is figured that the canyon water is free to the public as an appurtenance to the lands they occupy and that with the purchase of fifty to a hundred inches of aqueduct water, pumping may be dispensed with. At 1 1-2 cents an inch an hour the cost of 100 inches would be $1,100 a month. A hundred inches of water is the equivalent of 6,700,000 cubic feet, or 3,350 services of 2,000cubic feet each which spells a gross revenue of $3,350 per month at the flat rate of $1.00 a month, from aqueduct water alone. We are not prepared to say that this is not a wise program, if it can be carried out.

Less than six miles of the aqueduct remains uncompleted. It will take until January 15 to complete it. A few days ago Mr. Henderson, President of the board was assuring the public of its getting aqueduct water and power on the first of April. Now it is the first of July. Then it will be the first of next January. Then it will be a year or so later. Now don't get mad and say we are "knocking" the aqueduct. We are not. Mulholand has done his part and the aqueduct is finished. Sixteen months ago he began urging the water board to perfect preparations for the disposal of it. Several bumps on a log would be just as useful and quite as ornamental.

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